



GEAR UP PARTNERSHIP GRANTS IN KENTUCKY

Berea College

The Berea College GEAR UP Partnership is a collaboration between BERE A College, Rockcastle County School System, Forward in the Fifth, and the Rockcastle County Public Library. The Berea College partnership consists of 4 components: 1) direct student services including career and postsecondary awareness and preparation, summer enrichment activities, counseling services, and tutoring; 2) parent involvement, including monthly parent information meetings and parent leadership training; 3) professional development, providing comprehensive training for school staff to improve teaching and advising skills; and 4) strengthening school and community partnerships through community roundtable discussions, advisory boards, and community education.

Award Amount: \$2.12 million
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Clinton/Wayne Counties

The Clinton/Wayne County partnership offers a variety of programs to participants, including: 1) Super Saturdays; 2) college tours that integrate cultural awareness through theater productions and museum visits; 3) evening meetings and parent workshops held periodically to address financial planning, study skills, resume building; 4) incentives for academic achievement; and 5) mentoring by community members. Students and parents are encouraged to participate in all activities.

Award Amount: \$1.3 million
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Elizabethtown Community and Technical College

The Elizabethtown Community College partnership consists of 5 components: 1) college mentors for students in the seventh grade; 2) experiential campus visits in the eighth grade; 3) ACT awareness and preparedness of students in the ninth grade; 4) addressing barriers to college in the tenth grade; and 5) development of postsecondary plans by eleventh grade students.

Award Amount: \$2.3 million
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Fulton County Schools

The Fulton County partnership, managed by the WKEC, provides a comprehensive program including direct student services; curriculum enhancement through technology; and professional development for teachers. The program has implemented an online curriculum where students can reinforce skills and seek credit for courses failed or for courses not offered at their high schools. Other project activities include establishing career libraries, developing IGPs, offering summer camps, college visits, tutoring and mentoring to participants, and operating a technology van to help families develop technical literacy.

Award Amount: \$4 million
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Morehead State University

The Morehead State University partnership provides support mechanisms that focus on student development, teacher/curriculum development, and special emphasis on parental awareness and involvement. The program's academic support consists of mentoring, tutoring, college counseling, family counseling, and financial aid counseling. A lot of emphasis is placed on assessment and evaluation with a focus on outcome.

Award Amount: \$7.6 million
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Pulaski County Public Schools

The Pulaski County Public Schools provides support services such as private tutoring, study skill development workshops, counseling, financial planning, application process completion, college fairs, career fairs, mentoring and shadowing programs, advanced academic summer classes, visits to college campuses, advisor and advisee in-school programs, professional development for teachers, and parental workshops.

Award Amount: \$1.84 million
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Southeast Community and Technical College

The Southeast Community and Technical College partnership provides college-based activities, programming, and parental education to each cohort. Activities include: 1) tutoring; 2) development of individual support teams; 3) professional development for teachers to begin building strong links from middle school to high school and high school to college; 4) college and career education using The Bridges curriculum as the basis of career education; and 5) ACT and SAT preparation.

Award Amount: \$2.73 million
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